- The budget for FY 2010 for the Department of Agriculture is \$18,747,009. This is a \$3,280,882 cut from FY 2009. This equates to a 14.89 % cut in one year.
- Currently the Department has 35 positions open due to layoffs and retirements. These positions will remain open in order to meet the Department's budget reduction.
- IDALS has 5 inspectors who are responsible for 20 counties each.
- Each year, the 5 state inspectors inspect approximately 2,400 facilities in Iowa.
- In FY 2009, there were 424 USDA Animal Care registered facilities in Iowa. If IDALS inspectors are now expected to inspect USDA Animal Care facilities this would amount to a 19% increase in field staff time.
- IDALS inspectors are not trained to inspect USDA facilities.